

In the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently amended) Device for filtering tobacco smoke from a tobacco product, comprising a housing in which the tobacco product can be arranged, and a filter for filtering tobacco smoke, the housing comprising:

a tobacco reservoir for holding tobacco,
an outside air feed for feeding from the environment outside air necessary for the combustion of the tobacco,
a tobacco smoke discharge for discharging tobacco smoke caused by the combustion,
one or more fans for generating one or more forced gas flows in the tobacco smoke discharge,
a filter connected to the tobacco smoke discharge for filtering substances harmful to the environment from the tobacco smoke forced through the tobacco smoke discharge by said one or more fans,

a mouthpiece which is connected to the tobacco reservoir and the smoke discharge and with which a smoker can inhale the tobacco smoke from the tobacco reservoir and can exhale the tobacco smoke to the tobacco smoke discharge, wherein the tobacco smoke discharge comprises a first discharge channel for discharging tobacco in the standby situation and a second discharge channel for discharging the tobacco smoke exhaled in the exhaling situation and the gas discharge means comprise a fan arranged in the first discharge channel,

wherein the second discharge channel is arranged on the side wall of the channel from the tobacco reservoir to the mouthpiece.

2-6. (Canceled)

7. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the fan can be driven with an electric motor and in the housing there is provided a compartment in which an electric power supply, in particular one or more batteries, can be accommodated.

8. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1 comprising regulating means for guiding the gas flows through the smoke discharge and the mouthpiece.

9. (Original) Device as claimed in claim 8, wherein the regulating means comprise at least a first non-return valve between the tobacco reservoir and the smoke discharge, at least a second non-return valve between the tobacco reservoir and the mouthpiece and at least a third non-return valve between the mouthpiece and the smoke discharge.

10. (Original) Device as claimed in claim 9, wherein the non-return valves are adapted, in a standby situation in which the tobacco has been lit and no inhalation or exhalation is taking place, to allow through the gas flow from the tobacco reservoir to the smoke discharge and to prevent the gas flow from the reservoir to the mouthpiece.

11. (Original) Device as claimed in claim 9 or 10, wherein the non- return valves are adapted, in an inhaling situation where tobacco smoke is being inhaled by a user via the mouthpiece, to allow through the gas flow from the reservoir to the mouthpiece.

12. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 9 or 10 wherein the non-return valves are adapted, in an exhaling situation where the user exhales the inhaled air via the mouthpiece, to prevent the gas flow from the mouthpiece to the reservoir and allow through the gas flow from the mouthpiece to the to the smoke discharge.

13. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in any of the claims 8, 9 or 10, wherein the regulating means comprise a closing membrane with which the throughfeed in a determined direction can be prevented and the throughfeed in the opposite direction can be left substantially clear.

14. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claims 1, 7, 8, 9, or 10, which is adapted, in a standby situation in which the tobacco has been lit and no inhalation or exhalation is taking place, for forced discharge of the tobacco smoke via the tobacco smoke discharge.

15. (Original) Device as claimed in claim 14, which is adapted, also in an exhaling situation where at least a part of the inhaled air is being exhaled by the user via the mouthpiece, for forced discharge of the tobacco smoke via the tobacco smoke discharge.

16-17. (Canceled)

18. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first and second discharge channel are combined to form a single smoke discharge channel and the fan is arranged in the combined smoke discharge channel.

19. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, wherein at the position of the tobacco reservoir the housing comprises a removable closing cover to enable placing of tobacco in the tobacco reservoir, and wherein the outside air feed is formed by a number of throughflow openings provided in the closing cover.

20. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the outside air feed comprises an air passage extending from the outside of the housing to the tobacco reservoir.

21. (Original) Device as claimed in claim 20, wherein the air passage is embodied to enable lighting of the tobacco via the passage.

22. (Currently amended) Device as claimed in claims 1, 7, 8, 9, [[øf]] 10, 18, 19, 20 or 21, wherein the pressure caused by said fan is lower than the pressure caused by inhalation by the user.

23. (Canceled)

24. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, comprising holding means for holding the tobacco product such as a cigarette or a cigar.

25. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the tobacco product is rolling tobacco.

26. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, which can be held by the mouth of a person.

27. (Currently amended) Device as claimed in claim 26, wherein the total weight amounts to a maximum of 1 kg, ~~preferably a maximum of 300 g.~~

28. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, also comprising a supply compartment for temporary storage of additional tobacco.

29. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, also comprising a lighter compartment for storing a lighter with which the tobacco can be lit.

30. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, comprising a switch for switching on said fan.

31. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 30, also comprising a detector arranged in or close to the tobacco reservoir for directly or indirectly detecting tobacco smoke, wherein the detector is coupled to the switch for switching on said fan in the case of tobacco smoke and switching it off in the absence of tobacco smoke.

32. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, comprising: a temperature sensor arranged in or close to the tobacco reservoir for generating a temperature signal representative of the temperature, control means coupled to the temperature sensor, said fan

and/or to the switch for switching on said fan above a preset temperature and switching it off below a preset temperature, this on the basis of the temperature signal.

33. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the filter comprises at least one of a mechanical filter unit, an absorption filter unit, an electrostatic filter unit, an ionization filter unit, a centrifugal filter unit, a UV filter unit or an ozone filter unit.

34. (Original) Device as claimed in claim 33, wherein the absorption filter unit comprises an active carbon filter unit.

35. (Original) Device as claimed in claim 33 or 34, wherein the filter comprises an electrostatic filter unit.

36. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 33 or 34 wherein the filter comprises an ozone filter unit.

37. (Original) Device as claimed in claim 34, comprising a cathode and an anode between which the smoke can be guided for ionizing at least some of the substances in the smoke under the influence of an electric field between the cathode and anode, and collecting means for collecting the ionized substances.

38. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, comprising means for generating aromatic substances.

39. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, comprising a filter compartment which is provided in the housing and which can be closed off from the environment with a removable closing valve, wherein one or more replaceable filters can be placed in the filter compartment.

40. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the tobacco reservoir is open at its top and along the upper edges thereof there are provided a number of openings connecting to the tobacco smoke discharge for the purpose of drawing off the smoke produced in the tobacco reservoir.

41. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the housing is constructed from a first housing part and a second housing part, wherein at least the mouthpiece, the tobacco reservoir and the feed for outside air are arranged in the first housing part and wherein at least the tobacco smoke discharge, the filter and the gas displacing means are distributed over the first and second housing.

42-51. (Canceled)

52. (Previously presented) Device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first discharge channel and second discharge channel are at least partly combined to form a single smoke discharge channel.

53-75. (Canceled)

76. (New) Device as claimed in claim 26, wherein the total weight amounts to a maximum of 300 g.